

The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall...the question is, shall debate cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 1 nay, to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: To close, Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: I'll give the first couple of minutes of my closing to Senator Jones.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Jones, we will cut you off after two minutes then.

SENATOR JONES: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I'm going to rise to stand and oppose the voting for 991 simply because I think we should send a balanced budget to the Governor and I just don't think we are doing our job if we don't, and if I go back out in my district, well, I tell them we're going to raise taxes down here and they'll really be upset and I think that after last time home, well, I looked at the paper and there was two or three sheets of paper as unpaid taxes and they don't want to raise the taxes anymore, and I think Jim Cudaback brought up a real good example when he said the bond issues. We're seeing that clear across the state and I think we're going to have to be more responsible with our money we're spending. I think we're going to have to send a balanced budget to the Governor and I think that we should do that by voting this down. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Well, Mr. Speaker, members, very briefly, I mean, I do rise and urge the body to advance LB 991. I mean, last year I said let's move the big kahuna on General File. I said let's move this doggie, I don't know what adjectives I can use to move the bill. The ones I'd like to use I probably can't, so I won't, but the fact is there are a lot of things in LB 991. Does this bill absolutely have to advance? No. Like I said, it's not been on the...it's not been exercised enough to lose the weight that I'd like to see it lose. I think the body is going to have to make some tough decisions on the other bills on General File and Select File because you can't do all the things you want to do. But we've tried, we've tried a couple times to get this bill in a better form. The fact is it's in